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SUBJECT: REACTION TO ANNOUNCEMENT OF NORTHERN GAS PIPELINE

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1. MONTREAL GAZETTE, MONTREAL STAR, AND LE DEVOIR ALL CARRIED FRONTPAGE ARTICLES TODAY ON NORTHERN GAS PIPELINE ANNOUNCEMENT. LA PRESSE, WHICH HAD CARRIED FRONTPAGE ARTICLE YESTERDAY, CARRIED REPORT TODAY BY ITS WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT ON PAGE SIX. THERE WERE NO EDITORIALS IN MONTREAL PRESS TODAY ON PIPELINE.

2. GAZETTE AND DEVOIR ARTICLES CARRIED CP BYLINES AND REPORTED ON U.S. AGREEMENT TO PAY AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS COST OF CANADIAN SPUR, AS DID MONTREAL STAR NEWS SERVICE. ALL THREE PAPERS NOTED ABSENCE OF ANY DETAILS ON STATUS OF CANADIAN POSITION REGARDING PROPOSAL FOR $200 MILLION YUKON SOCIO-ECONOMIC FUND. DEVOIR ARTICLE, WHICH WAS MOST LENGTHY, INCLUDED CRITICISM OF AGREEMENT BY POLITICAL OPPOSITION, REPORTED REFTEL, AS WELL AS STATEMENTS BY EL PASO SPOKESMAN THAT PIPELINE WILL EMBITTER RELATIONS BETWEEN CANADA AND U.S. AS PROBLEMS COME TO LIGHT.
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3. FOLLOWING UP ON ITS ARTICLE YESTERDAY WHICH SAID CARTER GOVERN-MENT WAS BIG WINNER IN THIS AGREEMENT, LA PRESSE REPORT SAID PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU WOULD HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE TO PARLIAMENT THAT AGREEMENT IS AS ADVANTAGEOUS TO CANADA AS IT IS TO U.S. ARTICLE GOES ON TO SAY THAT ALTHOUGH BOTH PRESIDENT CARTER AND PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU HAVE EMPHASIZED MUTUAL ADVANTAGES

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OF AGREEMENT, CANADA WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN, DESPITE LONG AND DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS, SOME $200 MILLION IN COMPENSATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL DAMAGE CAUSED IN NORTH BY CONSTRUCTION OF PIPELINE.
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